

Application No.: 10/601,935 (K-C Docket 18,263)  
Response to the Office Action having a mailing date of April 19, 2005

### REMARKS

Claims 22-35 remain in the present application. Claim 36 is withdrawn without prejudice.

#### 1. Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant thanks and appreciates the Patent Office's indication that the claimed subject matter of claims 22-35 are allowed. In particular, the examiner states that the prior art of record does not teach or suggest particles with functional vinyl surface groups, that are capable of bonding to an elastomeric substrate with a textured topography or donning layer, in combination with such a substrate or donning layer and substrate

#### 2. § 103 Rejection

The Patent Office rejects claim 36 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent Publication No. 2003/0162890 (Kalantar *et al.*). The Patent Office alleges that Applicant's claimed invention would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art in view of the reference by Kalantar *et al.*

To advance prosecution of the currently pending claims, Applicant withdraws pending claim 36. In view of the withdrawal, the present rejection is now moot, and Applicant submits the remaining claims are in condition for allowance.

#### 3. Conclusion

Applicant believes that no extension of time is required to make the present Response timely. Should Applicant be in error, however, Applicant requests the Office grant such time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) as necessary to make this Response timely. Applicant hereby authorizes the Office to charge any necessary prosecutorial fee or surcharge with respect to extension of time to Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. deposit account number 11-0875.

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